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To: Mr. Harold Weisberg
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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

I am taking the liberty of writing to you this evening to ask you a question that has long been on my mind. I've just finished reading your book on "Whitewash" and have found it to be so interesting and informative that it was very difficult for me to lay it down to continue my duties as a Mother. I've read several books on President Kennedy's assassination and would like to just take a moment here to tell you how I enjoyed it.

The question I wish to ask is: how can I, as a nobody, help to bring about a new investigation on this? Being a housewife, and of only high school education, I am at a loss as to what we "little people" might

do to have the report re-opened. Do we write to our senator? The President? To whom? I have discussed this many times with friends and acquaintances who are as concerned as I am, yet we don't know what to do. Who has the power to form another investigation? There are roughly 22 of us, from many states who have discussed this problem via the mails and tape recorders. I've read in some papers and magazines where it claims we should let sleeping dogs lie, "it will hurt our country and give other nations cause to lose faith in us." I say that this is untrue, that hundreds, nay, millions are as dissatisfied as I am and we deserve to have the complete facts laid out for all to see. It's far past the time when this should have been done.

I believe also that any person with half a brain has seen through

the entire sham we are supposed to accept. The ones who aren't concerned either don't want the real murderer found, are concerned only with ones self, gullible or have become so calloused toward a human life that the murder of a wonderful President simply doesn't matter. I am certain that if people just knew what to do or where to write, this whole farce would be corrected. I am in hopes that you can tell us this.

I have urged all of my friends, relatives and acquaintances to buy your book and read it well.

Thank you so much, both for the book and your kind attention.

Yours truly,
Mrs. James Smith